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### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application filed concurrently herewith, please amend the following:

## In the Claims:

Please enter the following amended claim:

9. (Amended) A process according to claim 1, wherein said first and second components differ in their rheological condition as they are injected into the mould cavities.

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#### **REMARKS**

The present amendment is submitted to eliminate multiple dependencies and to correct minor typographical errors. The amendments were not intended to and should not be construed to have been made for any reasons related to patentability of the claims.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attachment is captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made".

Respectfully submitted,

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# VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

9. (Amended) A process according to any preceding-claim 1, wherein said first and second components differ in their rheological condition as they are injected into the mould cavities.